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- 1) Cover Sheet (1 pg)
- 2) Amendment Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.111 with Certificate of Facsimile dated 11/23/05 (10 pgs)
- 3) Replacement Sheet for Formal Drawing (1 pg)
- 4) Annotated Sheet Showing Changes (1 pg)

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**AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

This is in response to the Non – Final Office Action in this case mailed August 24, 2005. This response is being filed within the three-month shortened statutory period for reply. No extension of time is believed to be required. However, Applicants conditionally petition for an extension of time to provide for the possibility that the need for such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked. As provided below, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2121 for any required fee.

Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 6 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

**An Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 10 of this paper.